

REMARKS

Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of Applicants' amendments and remarks herein.

In the Office Action, claims 1, 2, 5, and 8 are rejected and the remaining claims are objected to.

In paragraph 1 of the Office Action, claims 7 and 12 are objected to as being in improper form because a multiple dependent claim cannot depend from any other multiple dependent claim. Claim 7 has been corrected in this regard and claim 14 added to complete the previous subject matter of claim 7.

In reviewing the Office Action, claims 1, 2, 5, and 8 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) by Sopporo. Through telephone conversation with the Examiner, the undersigned was informed that claim 3 should have been included in this paragraph 3 rejection.

In paragraph 5 of the Office Action, claims 4, 6, 9, 10, 11 and 13 are objected to as dependent upon a rejected base claim but will be allowable when written in independent form.

From the above, Applicant understands that the claims containing the description of the oil cake as cotton seed oil cake are in condition for allowance. In view of this, all claims have been amended to be directed to an invention in which the oil cake is cotton seed oil cake. In view of these amendments, Applicants submit that all claims are now in condition for allowance.

If any minor points remain prior to Notice of Allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the below listed phone number.

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
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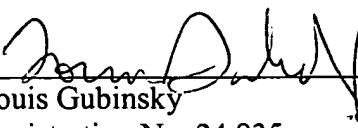
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